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TO: Honorable John Whitmire, Chair, Senate Committee on Criminal Justice

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1589 by Driver (Relating to the administration of polygraph examinations to certain applicants for positions in the Department of Public Safety.), **As Engrossed**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to require the Department of Public Safety (DPS) before commissioning an applicant as a peace officer or employing an applicant for a police communications operator position to require each applicant to submit to the administration of a polygraph examination prior. The bill would take effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house. If the bill does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, the bill would take effect September 1, 2005.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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